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just fyi - it seems the demo was done with dep knowledge ...

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Helga Crowley
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10/12/2005 02:00 PM

To Chelsea Albucher/R2/USEPA/US@EPA
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Sorry it's been so long since we've had a chance to catch up. Hope all is well with you!

The PRPs have been on site and did additional sampling under DEP mandate - (I believe under an existing ACO). They've been working with the DEP case manager.

Simultaneously, Landings has been working with the DEP and site owner regarding demolition and sale of the property for redevelopment purposes.

DEP case manager (Mike Thompkins) requested that demolition not occur until PRP completed initial sampling.

PRP sampling & lab analysis was submitted to NJDEP.

Case manager gave permission to move forward with demolition.

Property owner demolished.

FYI - there was also an "unsafe structure" determination made by the City Code Enforcement Department.

Is there any action that you feel we should be taking?

Thanks
Helga

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Vince
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thanks to all.


typically i pass the weekly reports to Brownfields staff so they are aware of any removals planned or ongoing in their grantee cities-thus the genesis of chelsea's inquiry.

i also do this to prove to you -dick-that someone does indeed read your weekly reports (zing!).
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